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# HVOF APPLICATIONS IN AF ENGINES

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## **SYNOPSIS**



ALTHOUGH HVOF IS A NEW PROCESS TO MATURE AIR FORCE ENGINES, ITS APPLICATION IS NEVERTHELESS **GROWING. ALTHOUGH THE PROCESS AND PROGRESS** OF THIS INSERTION VARIES GREATLY FROM ENGINE PROGRAMS, IT IS EVIDENT THE DESIGNERS AND MAINTAINERS OF ENGINES FORESEE HVOF AS AN ATTRACTIVE COATING PROCESS. TO THAT END, THE AIR FORCE, WITH PEWG SUPPORT, IS PURSUING AND MAKING PROGRESS IN VALIDATING APPLICATIONS AND ESTABLISHING CAPABILITY. THIS BRIFFING SUMMARIZE WHERE WE ARE AT TODAY AND WHERE **WE ARE GOING** 

#### AFMC

#### TF33

- Bearing journals
- PEWG supported effort
- Engine test validated
- Tinker qualification in work

#### F101/F110/F118

- Disk dovetail, shaft journal, fan blade platform
- CIP repair effort
- Currently out sourced
- Tinker qualification in work

#### AFMC

#### • F100

- Drum rotor, oil wetted bearing compartments
- CIP repair effort
- Engineering validation of drum rotor via similarity to TF33
- Engine test required for oil wetted application
- Planned for Tinker repair



#### T56

- Gearbox components
- CIP repair effort
- Engineering validation based on Joint Test
   Protocol
- PBA repair workload
- Standard Aero have HVOF capability but will need additional unit
- Funding requirement submitted (POM)

#### TF39

Applications based on CF6 experience proposed



## **OUTLOOK**



#### NO LONGER AN EMERGING PROCESS

- Choice replacement for chrome plate
- Proven next generation coating process
- Alternatives to proprietary process
   GatorGard
  - **D-Gun**
- Growing in Air Force application
  - **Propulsion**
  - Air frame
  - **Accessories**



# **HVOF AT TINKER**



- DEVELOPMENT OF TINKER
  - One booth operational
  - Additional booths
     Infrastructure available for one more booth

Dedicated booth for airfoil coating planned

- Grinding capability
- NDI issues

**CAPABILITY** 





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